

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF AJAI VIKRAM SINGH COMMITTEE

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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Ajai Vikram Singh Committee appointed by the Government to examine the service conditions and other related matters of Army Officials has submitted its report;
- (b) if so, the salient features of the recommendations made by the Committee;
- (c) whether the recommendations of the Report has been implemented for Army Officials;
- (d) if so, the number of officials benefited as a result thereof;
- (e) whether there is discontentment amongst the Navy and IAF Officers over the delay in implementation of the Ajai Vikram Singh Committee Report for them; and
- (f) if so, the decision taken by the Government in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): The Ajai Vikram Singh Committee addresses the twin problems of reducing the age profile of field commanders and cadre stagnation. Based on the recommendations of the Committee, the following orders pertaining to the Non-Select Ranks and restructuring of officers cadre of the Army have been issued by the Government:-

(i) Grant of substantive ranks of Captain at 2 years, Major at 6 years and Lieutenant Colonel at 13 years of service

(ii) Grant of rank of Colonel (Time Scale) on completion of 26 years of service.

(iii) Upgradation of 750 posts/appointments of Lieutenant Colonels in a phased manner with 400 posts having been upgraded in the first year i.e. 2004 and 350 posts are proposed to be upgraded in the second year i.e. 2005.

(d) 19,642 officers have been benefited.

(e) & (f): Similar proposals for the Navy and Air Force are under the consideration of the Government.